

*Curriculum Vitae – January, 2024*  
*Jerome Richard Koch*

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***Academic and Administrative Experience***

**Current Academic Position:**

Professor of Sociology  
Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Social Work  
Texas Tech University  
Lubbock, Texas 79409 2009 – present

**Current Administrative Position:**

Associate Chair  
Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Social Work  
Texas Tech University  
Lubbock, Texas 79409 2020 - present

**Previous Academic Positions:**

Associate, Assistant, Visiting Assistant Professor of Sociology  
Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Social Work  
Texas Tech University 1994 – 2009; tenured in 2001  
Adjunct Instructor - School of Medicine  
Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center 1996 – 2001

**Previous Administrative Position:**

Associate Chair  
Department of Sociology, Anthropology, and Social Work  
Texas Tech University  
Lubbock, Texas 79409 2015 – 2018

***Education***

Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN	1991-94	Ph.D., 1994.	Sociology
Western Illinois University, Macomb, IL	1989-91	M.A., 1991.	Sociology
Lutheran School of Theology, Chicago, IL	1978-82	M.Div., 1982.	Pastoral Ministry
University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI	1971-75	B.A., 1975.	Sociology

***Areas of Specialization and Interest***

**Primary:** Sociology of Religion, Sociology of Medicine, Body Modification.  
**Secondary:** Social Deviance, Organizations, Drugs/Alcohol, Bio-ethics

## *Research*

### **Peer-Reviewed Research -- Journal Articles (36) and Book Chapters (2):**

Koch, Jerome R., and Kevin Dougherty. 2023. "Tattoos, Religiosity, and Deviance Among College Students." *Sociological Focus* 56:4.

Koch, Jerome, and Kevin Dougherty. 2023. "The Religious Tattoo: Much More Than Skin Deep." In Marie W Dallam and Benjamin E. Zeller (Eds.), pp. 165-189. *Religion, Attire, and Adornment in North America*. New York: Columbia University Press.

Koch, Jerome R., Brandon G. Wagner, and Alden E. Roberts. 2021. "Christian Universities as Moral Communities: Drinking, Sex, and Drug Use Among University Students in the United States." *The Social Science Journal*. DOI: 10.1080/03623319.2021.1963108

Maloney, Patricia A., and Jerome R. Koch. 2020. "The College Student's Religious Tattoo: Respect, Reverence, Remembrance." *Sociological Focus* 53(1): 53-66.

Dougherty, Kevin, and Jerome Koch. 2019. "Religious Tattoos at One Christian University." *Visual Studies*. DOI: [10.1080/1472586X.2019.1687331](https://doi.org/10.1080/1472586X.2019.1687331)

Koch, Jerome R., Myrna L. Armstrong, Christian B. Slavin, Alden E. Roberts, and Donna C. Owen. 2018. "Getting – and Getting Rid of – Tattoos." *International Journal of Contemporary Sociology* 54(2): 137-152.

Koch, Jerome R., Alden E. Roberts, Myrna L. Armstrong, and Donna C. Owen. 2015. "Tattoos, Gender, & Well-Being." *Social Science Journal* 52(4): 536-541.

Armstrong, Myrna L., Jane Tustin, Donna C. Owen, Jerome R. Koch, and Alden E. Roberts. 2014. "Body Art Education: The Earlier the Better." *Journal of School Nursing* 30(1):12-18.

Owen, Donna C., Myrna L. Armstrong, Jerome R. Koch, and Alden E. Roberts. 2013. "College Students With Body Art: Well Being Or Higher Risk Behavior?" *Journal of Psychosocial Nursing* 51(10): 20-28.

Koch, Jerome R., and Alden E. Roberts. 2012. "The Protestant Ethic and the Religious Tattoo." *The Social Science Journal* 49(2): 210-213.

Koch, Jerome R., and I. Luis Ramirez. 2010. "Religiosity, Christian Fundamentalism, and Intimate Partner Violence." *Review of Religious Research* 51(4): 402-410.

Koch, Jerome R., Alden E. Roberts, Myrna L. Armstrong, and Donna C. Owen. 2010. "Body Art, Deviance, and American College Students." *The Social Science Journal* 47(1): 151-161.

Armstrong, Myrna L., Alden E. Roberts, Jana C. Saunders, Donna C. Owen, and Jerome R. Koch. 2009. "Need for uniqueness in older women: An exploratory look." *International Journal of Older People Nursing* 4: 254-262.

Koch, Jerome R. "Is Religion a Health Resource for the Poor?" 2008. *The Social Science Journal* 45: 497-503.

Armstrong, Myrna L., Alden E. Roberts, Jerome R. Koch, Jana C. Saunders, Donna C. Owen, and R. Rox Anderson. 2008. "Motivation for Contemporary Tattoo Removal: A Shift in Identity." *Archives of Dermatology* 144 (7) : 879-884.

Klein, Charles, Oscar Reyes, and Jerome R. Koch. 2007. "A Service Learning Project Involving ... the Mentoring of Younger At-Risk Youth." *NACTA Journal* 51(4): 55-61.

Armstrong, Myrna L., Alden E. Roberts, Jerome R. Koch, Jana C. Saunders, & Donna C. Owen 2007 "Investigating the Removal of Body Piercings." *Clinical Nursing Research* 16: 103-118.

Armstrong, Myrna L., Jerome R. Koch, Jana C. Saunders, Alden E. Roberts, and Donna C. Owen. 2007. "The Hole Picture: Risks, Decision Making, Purpose, Regulations, and the Future of Body Piercing." *Clinics in Dermatology* 25(4): 398-406.

Koch, Jerome R., Alden E. Roberts, Myrna L. Armstrong, and Donna C. Owen. 2007. "Frequencies and relations of body piercing and sexual activity in college students." *Psychological Reports* 101: 159-162.

Roberts, Alden E., Jerome R. Koch, Myrna L. Armstrong, and Donna C. Owen. 2006. "Correlates of tattoos and reference groups." *Psychological Reports* 99: 933-934.

Koch, Jerome R., and Robert E. Beckley. 2006. "Under the Radar: AIDS Ministry in the Bible Belt." *Review of Religious Research*. 47: 393-408.

Koch, Jerome R., Alden E. Roberts, Myrna L. Armstrong, and Donna C. Owen. 2005. "College students, tattoos, and sexual activity." *Psychological Reports*. 97: 887-890.

Koch, Jerome R., Alden E. Roberts, Julie Harms Cannon, Myrna L. Armstrong, and Donna C. Owen. 2005. "College Students, Tattooing, and the Health Belief Model." *Sociological Spectrum*. 25: 79-102.

Armstrong, Myrna L., Alden E. Roberts, Donna C. Owen, and Jerome R. Koch. 2004. "Toward Building a Composite of College Student Influences With Body Art." *Issues in Comprehensive Pediatric Nursing* 27: 273-291.

Curry, Evans W., Jerome R. Koch, and H. Paul Chalfant. 2004. "Concern for God and Concern for Society: Religiosity and Social Justice." *Sociological Spectrum* 24: 651-666.

- Koch, Jerome R., Alden E. Roberts, Myrna L. Armstrong, and Donna C. Owen. 2004. "Religious Belief and Practice in Attitudes Toward Individuals With Body Piercing." *Psychological Reports* 95: 583-586.
- Armstrong, Myrna L., Donna C. Owen, Alden E. Roberts, and Jerome R. Koch. 2004. "Contemporary College Students and Body Piercing." *Journal of Adolescent Health* 35: 58-61.
- Koch, Jerome R., Alden E. Roberts, Myrna L. Armstrong, and Donna C. Owen. 2004. "Correlations of religious belief and practice on college students' tattoo-related behavior." *Psychological Reports* 94: 425-430.
- Armstrong, Myrna L., Donna C. Owen, Alden E. Roberts, and Jerome R. Koch. 2002. "College Students and Tattoos: The Influence of Image, Identity, Family, and Friends." *The Journal of Psychosocial Nursing and Mental Health Services* 40(10): 20-29.
- Koch, Jerome R., and Jean A. Lewis. 2002. "Twenty Volumes of *ATQ*: A Content Analysis." *Alcoholism Treatment Quarterly* 20(3-4): 131-142.
- Armstrong, Myrna L., Donna C. Owen, Alden E. Roberts, and Jerome R. Koch. 2002. "College Tattoos: More Than Skin Deep." *Dermatology Nursing* 14(5): 317-323.
- Pyle, Ralph E., and Jerome R. Koch. 2001. "The Religious Affiliations of American Elites, 1930s to 1990s: A Note on the Pace of Disestablishment." *Sociological Focus* 34(2): 125-137.
- Koch, Jerome R., and Julie D. Blanco. 2001. "Studying 'Alcohol, Drugs, and Society' from a Sociological Perspective: Comparing the Academic Performance of Pre-professionals in Addiction Studies with Students Majoring in Other Disciplines." *Alcoholism Treatment Quarterly* 19(4): 81-91.
- Roberts, Alden E., Jerome R. Koch, and D. Paul Johnson. 2001. "Reference Groups and Religion: An Empirical Test." *Sociological Spectrum* 21(1): 81-98.
- Koch, Jerome R., and Evans W. Curry. 2000. "Social Context and the Presbyterian Gay/Lesbian Ordination Debate." *Review of Religious Research* 42: 206-214.
- Davidson, James D. and Jerome R. Koch. 1998. "Beyond Mutual and Public Benefits: The Inward and Outward Orientations of NonProfit Organizations." In N. J. Demerath III, Peter Dobkin Hall, Terry Schmitt, and Rhys H. Williams (Eds.), pp. 292-306. *Sacred Companies*. New York: Oxford University Press.
- Koch, Jerome R. and D. Paul Johnson. 1997. "The Ecumenical Outreach Coalition: A Case Study of Converging Interests and Network Formation for Church and Community Cooperation." *Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly* 26(3): 343-358.

Ferraro, Kenneth F. and Jerome R. Koch. 1994. "Religion and Health Among Black and White Adults: Examining Social Support and Consolation." *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* 33(4): 362-375.

### **Peer-Reviewed Research Monograph:**

Beckley, Robert E. and Jerome R. Koch. 2002. *The Continuing Challenge of AIDS: Clergy Responses to Patients, Families, and Friends*. Westport, CT: Auburn House.

"This monograph makes an outstanding contribution to several types of literature: sociology of religion, HIV/AIDS, sexuality, and perhaps even gender studies. ... The reader is able to see beyond the diagnosis of HIV/AIDS and observe it as a social phenomenon with broader implications." J. Michael Cruz, in his review published in the *Journal of Church and State*, 2003, Volume 45 (3): 615-616.

### **Peer-Reviewed Research – Data Sets:**

Koch, Jerome R., Brandon G. Wagner, Alden E. Roberts, Myrna L. Armstrong, and Donna C. Owen. 2021. "Christian universities as moral communities: drinking, sex, and drug use among university students in the United States." Data Set of 3610 student survey respondents at twelve American universities, 2010-2013. *Association of Religion Data Archives*, Penn State University, State College, PA. <http://www.thearda.com>

Koch, Jerome R., Alden E. Roberts, Myrna L. Armstrong, and Donna C. Owen. 2012. "Religiosity, Christian Fundamentalism, Deviance, Sensation-Seeking, and Body Art." Data Set of 1753 student survey respondents at four American universities, 2005-2006. *Association of Religion Data Archives*, Penn State University, State College, PA. <http://www.thearda.com>

### **Work in Progress – Currently under peer review and final draft pending:**

Dougherty, Kevin D., and Jerome R. Koch. "Do Religious People Have Tattoos?" Under review: *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*.

Koch, Jerome R., and Kevin D. Dougherty. "Religion, Gender, Tattoos, and Well-Being. Final draft pending. Planned submission: *Review of Religious Research*.

### **Major Research Support:**

Principal Investigator: "Seeking the Moral Community: Religion, Deviance, and Well-Being Among American College Students." 2010-2013. This project was funded for \$107,965 by the E.A. Franklin Charitable Trust. The work involved surveying 3610 American university students at 12 different schools in order to compare trends and tendencies regarding their religious beliefs and practices, deviant behavior, and their emotional well-being.

Co-PI: "Community Building and Job Creation." 2001-2004. This project was funded for

\$373,739 by Covenant Health Systems. It was administered through Goodwill Industries of Lubbock and the Texas Tech University Sociology department. I proposed, developed, and administered the Evaluation component of the project. This involved continuous monitoring and evaluating the efficacy of the program and its budget, compiling a data set for future research, and supervising a graduate student. I directly administered and disbursed \$53,818.

### **Other Professional Publications:**

Koch, Jerome R. 2020. In Adam Possamai and Anthony Joseph Blasi, (Eds.), *The SAGE Encyclopedia of Sociology of Religion*. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage. "Tattoos." 1000 words.

Koch, Jerome R. 2012. Book Review of: Davidson, James D. and Ralph E. Pyle. *Ranking Faiths: Religious Stratification in America*. Lanham, MD: Rowman and Littlefield. 2011. *Social Forces*.

Koch, Jerome R. 2008. Book Review of: Wittberg, Patricia. 2006. *From Piety to Professionalism - and Back? Transformations of Organized Religious Virtuosity*. Lanham, MD: Lexington Books. *Sociology of Religion* 69(4): 497-498.

Koch, Jerome R. 2002. "Health and Society." In Cynthia Tweedell (Editor), Chapter 14, pp. 233-246. *Sociology: A Christian Approach for Changing the World*. Marion, Indiana: Triangle. (Re-printed, 2010).

Koch, Jerome R. 1998. In William Swatos and Peter Kvisto, (Eds.), *The Encyclopedia of Religion and Society*. Walnut Creek, CA: AltaMira Press. "Dogmatism," pp. 141-142; "Eliade, Mircea," pp. 163-164; "Hymns," p. 232; "Reformation," pp. 404-405 "Calvinism," pp. 69-70.

Koch, Jerome R. 1995. Book Review of: Wuthnow, Robert. 1993. *Christianity in the Twenty-First Century*. New York: Oxford University Press. *Journal of Church and State* 37(3): 643.

### **Academic Presentations: (7 since 2018; 52 total. Details available on request.)**

Koch, Jerome R., and Kevin D. Dougherty. "Gender, Tattoos, and Well-Being." Accepted for presentation at the 2023 annual meetings of the Religious Research Association, October, 2023.

Dougherty, Kevin D., and Jerome R. Koch. "Do Religious People Have Tattoos?" Presented at the 2022 annual meetings of the Religious Research Association, October, 2022.

Koch, Jerome R., and Kevin D. Dougherty. "Religion and Religious Tattoos." Presented at the 2019 annual meetings of the Religious Research Association, October, 2019.

Dougherty, Kevin D., and Jerome R. Koch. "Do Religious People Have Tattoos? Religiosity and Tattoos in a National Sample of U.S. Adults." Presented at the 2019 annual meetings of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion and Religious Research Association, October, 2019.

Larkin, Haleigh M., and Jerome R. Koch. "Religion, Well-Being, and Stigma." Presented at the 2019 annual meetings of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, October, 2019.

Koch, Jerome R., and Patricia A. Maloney. "The College Student's Religious Tattoo: Respect, Reverence, Remembrance." Presented at the 2018 annual meetings of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion and Religious Research Association, October, 2018.

Dougherty, Kevin, Jerome R. Koch, and Jake Kane. "Religious Tattoos at One Christian University." Presented at the 2018 annual meetings of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion and Religious Research Association, October, 2018.

## *Teaching*

### **Major Teaching Honors and Awards:**

#### ***Texas Tech University Teaching Academy:***

I am deeply grateful and profoundly honored to have been elected to membership in the Texas Tech University Teaching Academy, Class of 2020. The Teaching Academy not only recognizes good teaching, it promotes ongoing learning, excellence, and growth. Academy members are also a resource to the entire teaching faculty and their students.

#### ***Professing Excellence Awards:***

I am very fortunate and grateful to be a four-time recipient (five-time nominee) of the "Professing Excellence" award, 2004, 2005, 2016, 2023. This comes from *The Success Center*, Texas Tech University, awarded solely through student nominations and selection: "For demonstrating commitment to student success."

#### ***Apple Polishing Award – Texas Tech University Chapter, Mortar Board, 2023:***

The Apple Polishing Ceremony serves to recognize influential staff and faculty from Texas Tech University. Each Mortar Board member had the opportunity to nominate their most influential professor, advisor, or research mentor. I am so very pleased and honored that one of Texas Tech's finest students nominated me to receive this honor.

### **Student Course Evaluations:**

For all Undergraduate instruction, 2001 - present, approximately 22,500 students)

Summary Course Evaluation Scores:

"Overall, this instructor was effective." 4.75 (5=Strongly Agree)

"Overall, this course was a valuable learning experience." 4.75 (5=Strongly Agree)

### **Undergraduate Instruction, Sociology:**

#### **1301, Introductory Sociology**

Fall, 1994-2020; 2022-23, Spring, 2002-2021, 2023-2024, Summer, 1999, 2001-02, 2004.

#### **3383, Alcohol, Drugs, and Society**

Fall, 1995-2015, Spring, 1995-2001, 2007-08; 2010; 2013; Summer, 1997-99; 2001-09

**4381, Sickness, Health, and Society**, Spring, 1995-2001, 2006; Summer, 2003

**4331, Religion and Society**, Spring, 2019.

### **Undergraduate Instruction, Honors College:**

**Sociology 1301 (Honors Section)**, Fall, 1997-2000; Fall 2022, 2024, Spring 2023.

**Honors 3303: Religion and Health in American Society**

Fall, 2001, 2007, 2008, Spring, 1999, 2003-2005, 2010

**Honors Seminar 3303: Religion in 20<sup>th</sup> Century America**, Fall, 1996, Spring, 1998

**Graduate Instruction, Sociology:**

**5384: Sociology of Religion** Fall 1994; Spring, 2018, 2020

**5381: Medical Sociology** Spring, 1995-2000, Summer, 2003, Spring, 2012, 2014, 2016

**5332: Professional Socialization** Fall, 2001-2004; Spring, 2002-2005

**Thesis Direction and Mentoring:**

Thesis Director, Haleigh Larkin. M.A., 2020

Thesis Director, Chelsey Tucker. M.A., 2018

Thesis Director, VJ Fehoko, M.A., Sociology, 2016.

Non-Thesis Project Director, Macallister Jeffrey, M.A., Sociology, 2015.

Thesis Director, Amber Thompson, M.A., Sociology, 2014

Thesis Director, Sofia Symcox, M.A., Sociology, 2014.

Thesis Director, Lyndsey Burnett, M.A., Sociology, 2011

Thesis Director, Randall Gentry, M.A., Sociology, 2011

Faculty Mentor, Miranda Woodruff, McNair Scholar, 2008-2009

Thesis Director: Deanna Garcia, B.A., Honors College, 2005

Thesis Director: Chandra Childers, M.A., Sociology, 2004

Thesis Director: Lisa Rotge', B.A., Honors College, 2002.

Thesis Director: Carissa Waida, B.S., Honors College, 2000

Thesis Director: Nick Stransky, M.A., Sociology, 1998

**Thesis and Dissertation Committee Participation:**

Thesis Committee member, Jared Griffith, MA, 2023

Thesis Committee member, Binda Khatri, MA, 2023

Dissertation Com. member, Jennifer Campbell, Ph.D. 2019, Fielding Graduate University

Thesis Committee member, Elle Rickman, MA, 2019.

Thesis Committee member, Servet Tas, MA, 2017

Thesis Committee member, Jonah Higginbotham, MA, 2017

Thesis Committee member, Stephanie Kirkland, MA, 2017

Thesis Committee member, Vanessa Leos, M.A., 2016

Thesis Committee member, Kembra Gerner, M.A., Soc. 2015

Thesis Committee member, Tyler Sims, M.A., Soc. 2014

Thesis Committee member, Jeffrey Ajufo, M.A., Soc. 2013.

Thesis Committee member, Lauren Dent, M.A.. Soc. 2013.

Project Committee member (Non-Thesis): Melissa Galica, MA, Soc. 2012.

Thesis Committee member, James Henson, M.A., Soc. 2008.

Thesis Committee member, Breandan Jennings, M.A., Soc. 2008

Dissertation Committee Member, Alicia Rozycki, Ph.D., Psychology, 2007

Thesis Committee member: Rachael Hoover, M.A., Soc. 2003

Thesis Committee member: Gary Bones, M.A., Soc. 2002

Thesis Committee member: Caitlin Pause', M.A., Soc. 2002.

Project Committee member (Non-Thesis): Richard W, Ayers, M.A., Soc. 2001

Thesis Committee member: Julie Blanco, M.A., Sociology, 2000

Project Committee member: (Non-Thesis) Mercedes Montero, M.A., Soc. 2000

Thesis Committee member: Sharon Sarles, M.A., Sociology, 1998

Dissertation Committee member: Ronald Wood, D.Min., 1996. Doctorate in Ministry

Program, Princeton Theological Seminary.

**Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center School of Medicine (1996-2001):**

I was part of a team of physicians, social scientists, and clergy regularly teaching: "The Physician and Society," and "Ethics for Physicians."

***Service***

**Service to the Department:**

Associate Chair, SASW, 2015-2018; 2020-present

Search Committee Chair, 2023 Assistant Professor – Tenure Track.

Chair, Promotion Review Committee, Brandon Wagner, Assistant to Assoc. Professor, 2020-21

Chair, Promotion Review Committee, Cristina Bradatan, Associate to Full Professor, 2019-2020

Member, Promotion Review Committee, Brett Houk, Associate to Full Professor, 2019

Committee Chair, 3 year review for tenure committee, Brandon Wagner, 2019.

Acting Chair, Chair's letter, Nadia Flores Tenure Consideration, 2018.

Chair, Promotion Review Committee, Patricia Maloney, Assistant to Assoc. Professor, 2017-19

Associate Chair, SASW, 2015-2018

Member, Graduate Committee, 2000 - 2017.

Committee Chair, 3 year review for tenure committee, Patricia Maloney, 2016.

Member, SASW Executive Committee, 2013 - 2015

Member, Chair Search Committee, 2010–2012.

Chair, Graduate Committee, 2001-2005.

Advisor, Rho of Texas Chapter of Alpha Kappa Delta, 2001.

Member, Undergraduate Committee, 1995 - 2000.

Member, Departmental Search Committee, 1997, 2001, 2002, 2006 (chair); 2012, 2013. 2015

**Service to the College and University:**

Member, Dean Review Committee – Brent Lindquist, 2019-2020.

Chair, Graduate Program Review, College of Human Sciences, Department of Family, Community, and Addiction Studies. 2015.

Member, Search Committee – Vice-Provost for Graduate Education 2013 –2014.

Member, CAS Committee to Reorganize Communication Studies, 2010-2011.

Member, College of Arts and Sciences Committee on Academic Programs, 2008-2011.

Member, Texas Tech University Faculty Senate, 2007-2010. (Vice President, 2009-2010).

Member TTU Faculty Senate Study Committee A, 2007-2009.

Member, TTU Health Sciences Center Clinical Ethics Committee, 1996-2009.

Member, University Medical Center Bio-Ethics Education Sub-Committee and Task Force on Peaceful Death, 1996-2000.

**Invited Speaking Engagements:**

Guest Lecturer (2X), Red Raider Orientation – Parents and Students, Summer, 2014

Guest Lecturer (2X), Office of Admissions "Techsan Preview" program, Summer, 2014.

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Guest Lecturer (2X), Office of Admissions "Techsan Preview" program, Summer, 2011.

Guest Lecturer, Red Raider Orientation – Parents and Students, Summer, 2011

Guest lecturer, Red Raider Experience--prospective Honors students, July, 2010.

Panelist, Faculty Q & A for parents, Red Raider Experience--Honors, July, 2010.  
Keynote speaker, Cross Cultural Academic Advancement Center, July, 2009  
Panel Discussion, Cross Cultural Academic Advancement Center, July, 2009  
Guest Lecturer: Red Raider Academy for prospective students, June, 2009.  
Guest Lecturer, Honors College Passport Program March, 2006  
Guest Lecturer, Office of Admissions "Techsan Preview" program, January, 2004.  
Guest Lecturer, College of Education Recruitment Day, March, 2001.  
Keynote Speaker, Honors College Awards Banquet, May, 1999  
Guest Lecturer, Office of New Student Relations University Day, April, 1999  
Guest Lecturer, Office of New Student Relations Honors Symposium, April, 1999  
Guest Lecturer, Office of New Student Relations Honors Symposium, April, 1998

**Service to the Profession:**

**National Committee Involvement:**

Member, Constant R. Jacquet Research Award Committee, Religious Research Association, 2000-2001, 2002-2003.

Chair, Constant R. Jacquet Research Award Committee, 2001-2002

**Peer Reviewer for Scholarly Journals:**

*Journal of Adolescence*, 2020. *Body and Society*, 2017. *Canadian Journal of Higher Education*, 2016. *Journal of Addictive Diseases*, 2015, *The Journal of Health and Social Behavior*, *The Sociological Quarterly*; *Sexuality and Culture*, 2012. *Qualitative Sociology*, 2011. *Social Science Journal*, 2008, 2009 (twice), 2010 (twice), 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2019. *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*, 1996, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2007 (twice), 2009, 2011, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016. *Review of Religious Research*, 1995 - 2000, 2006. 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2015, 2016 (twice), 2017. *Sociological Focus*, 2010. *Sociological Forum*, 2010, 2011. *Journal of Gerontology: Social Problems*, 2009. *Research on Aging*, 2009. *Social Problems*, 2007. *Social Forces*, 2006. *Psychological Reports*, 2006. *Sociological Spectrum*, 2005, 2017. *Sociological Inquiry*, 2002. *Deviant Behavior*, 2001. *Sociological Focus*, 2000.

**Service to the Community – Representative examples:**

Clergy member, Palo Duro Presbytery, Presbyterian Church (USA) 1994 - present.

Member, Palo Duro Presbytery Committee on Prep. for Ministry, 1995-2000; 2011-2020.

Volunteer and Facilitator, South Plains Mobile Food Pantry, Post, Texas, 2011-2018.

Volunteer – Shalom Readers, 2004-2018

Member, Palo Duro Presbytery Permanent Judicial Commission, 2008-2014.

Presenter, Lubbock Interfaith Alliance Annual Conference. "Christian Extremism." 4/26/2014.

Panelist for Bio-Ethics Case Presentation, Fall Medical/Surgical Symposium, Lubbock, Crosby, and Garza County Medical Society, September 27, 2003.

Convener and Chair of the task force for "Vatican Exhibit Symposium: Religious Art from the Old World to the New." In conjunction with Vatican Museums Exhibition on the Texas Tech University campus, May - September, 2002.

Co-Facilitator, "A Peaceful Death: Where Are We?" (November, 1995). Featured speaker: Joanne Lynn, MD, (JAMA, November, 1995).

**Memberships:**

The Society for the Scientific Study of Religion

The Religious Research Association

Senior Softball USA